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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**NADEAU STREET AND 60TH STREET CROSSINGS AT
UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the project to install concrete surface panels at the Nadeau Street and 60th Street highway-railroad crossings of the Union Pacific Railroad are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve and instruct the Chairman to sign the enclosed agreements between the County of Los Angeles and the Union Pacific Railroad which provide for the County to pay \$154,086 to the railroad for the concrete surface panels at the Nadeau Street and 60th Street highway-railroad crossings. The total cost of the project is \$328,186 with the railroad's share being \$154,100 and the County's share being \$154,086 for the railroad's work and \$20,000 for traffic control work.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The railroad grade crossings at Nadeau Street and 60th Street are paved with asphalt concrete which is susceptible to damage by train loadings. The condition of the surfaces of these crossings is very rough due to the damaged pavement adjoining the tracks. The Union

Pacific Railroad (UPRR) is responsible for maintaining the area between the tracks. However, their preferred method is simply repave the area using asphalt concrete. In order to provide an improved roadway surface at the railroad grade crossings, Public Works cooperatively works with the various railroads to install concrete surface panels as a betterment.

Construction of the crossing surface panels at Nadeau Street and 60th Street will be performed by UPRR forces. The construction agreements are needed to establish the respective construction and financial responsibilities of the County and the UPRR. In addition to paying \$154,086 to the UPRR for a portion of their costs, the County will provide the necessary traffic control and roadway work. The UPRR will fund \$154,100 of the concrete surface panel work.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence as it provides motorists with a smooth riding surface.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost of the railroad grade crossings improvements is estimated to be \$328,186.

The total cost of the project is to be financed as follows:

UPRR Work

<u>Nadeau Street</u>		
County Road Funds		\$ 84,014
Union Pacific Railroad Funds		<u>\$ 84,023</u>
	Subtotal	\$168,037
<u>60th Street</u>		
County Road Funds		\$ 70,072
Union Pacific Railroad Funds		<u>\$ 70,077</u>
	Subtotal	\$140,149

County Work (traffic control and roadway paving)

Nadeau Street County Road Funds	\$ 10,000
60th Street County Road Funds	<u>\$ 10,000</u>
Subtotal	\$ 20,000
TOTAL	\$328,186

The crossing surface improvements at Nadeau Street and 60th Street will be included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget. The total County cost of \$174,086 consists of \$103,586 in Supervisorial District 1 and \$70,500 in Supervisorial District 2.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

All work to be accomplished under the enclosed agreements is to be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Public Utilities Code and the Streets and Highways Code.

The agreements have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsections (x) (2) and (x) 14, of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The installation of concrete surface panels will enhance the condition of the highway-railroad crossings.

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CONCLUSION

Enclosed are two originals and one copy of each construction agreement. Upon approval, please return the two originals to Public Works for further processing along with two approved copies of this letter. The County file copy is for your files until the fully executed County copy is returned to you.

Respectfully submitted,

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